UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 1:23-cr-20437-PCH

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

v.

LINCOLN VELEZ TAVERAS,

Defendant.	

ORDER ADOPTING AND AFFIRMING R&R AND ADJUDICATING DEFENDANT GUILTY

THIS MATTER is before the Court on Magistrate Judge Jacqueline Becerra's Report and Recommendation ("R&R") on Change of Plea [ECF No. 16], entered on November 16, 2023. In the R&R, Judge Becerra found that the Defendant Lincoln Velez Taveras, freely and voluntarily entered a plea of guilty to the crime charged in the Information, which is unlawful reentry into the United States after having previously been removed under 8 U.S.C. §§ 1326(a), (b)(1).

Magistrate Judge Becerra recommends that this Court accept Defendant's guilty plea, that Defendant be adjudicated guilty of the crime charged in the Information, and that a sentencing hearing be conducted for final disposition of this matter. On November 20, 2023, the Government and Defendant filed a Joint Notice of Non-Objection to the R&R [ECF No. 17]. Therefore, based on a *de novo* review of the evidence presented, it is hereby

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that (1) Magistrate Judge Becerra's R&R on Change of Plea [ECF No. 16] is **ADOPTED** and **AFFIRMED in its entirety**; (2) the Court accepts Defendant's plea of guilty, and Defendant is hereby adjudged guilty as to the crime charged in the

Information; and (3) a sentencing hearing before the Honorable Paul C. Huck is set for Monday,

November 27, 2023, at 2:30 PM.

DONE AND ORDERED in Miami, Florida on November 21, 2023.

PAUL C. HUCK

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Copies provided to: Magistrate Judge Jacqueline Becerra Counsel of record